LEADER'S OVERVIEW

ESCALATION OF FORCE TRAINING KIT

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Leader's Overview

Why the *EOF Training Kit*?

- EOF skills are critical competencies in the operational environment (e.g., FM 3-24)
- Protecting non-combatants is a routine requirement in contemporary operations
- Soldiers must make high-stakes EOF decisions in fast-paced, uncertain situations
- Realistic training for EOF decision making is imperative for all BCT Soldiers
- Diverse units need EOF training scenarios that incorporate combat-tested lessons

What's the purpose of the *EOF Training Kit*?

- Build critical Soldier skills and understanding for complex EOF decision making
- Support BCT efforts to plan and execute squad-level EOF training events
- Boost training realism by leveraging the latest desktop simulation technology
- Help trainers and leaders assess the EOF proficiency of their Soldiers

How can the *EOF Training Kit* benefit leaders, trainers and units?

- Strengthen unit training programs through enhanced EOF training capabilities
- Enhance critical EOF competencies among Soldiers and their leaders
- Save time and effort spent creating training and assessment materials
- Improve measurement of Soldiers' EOF proficiency level
- Enhance unit readiness through pre-deployment EOF training

What's in the *EOF Training Kit*?

- Ready-to-use materials for multiple missions at three levels of EOF expertise
- Mission options – Convoy Operations, TCP Operations, Dismounted Patrolling
- Options for executing VBS2 and video exercises at individual and collective levels
- Tactical conditions that represent the realities of today's operational theaters
- Supporting materials that enhance the realism of EOF training events
- Video options for demonstrating correct and incorrect mission outcomes

What training exercises can be conducted?

- VBS2 interactive exercises (x9) with ready-to-load simulation files
- Video-based exercises (x9) with ready-to-view files (correct and incorrect versions)

Mission	Experience Levels	Training Modes
Convoy Operations	Novice, Intermediate, Expert	VBS2, Video
Traffic Control Point	Novice, Intermediate, Expert	VBS2, Video
Dismounted Patrol	Novice, Intermediate, Expert	VBS2, Video

How were the scenarios and videos created?

- Analysis of CALL vignettes and lessons learned to identify critical EOF situations
- Interviews with Soldiers from US Army units at Fort Hood, TX (post-deployment)
- Drafting and refinement of VBS2 scenarios and videos by subject matter experts
- Creation of essential supporting documentation (e.g., Mission Briefs, PCCs, PCIs)
- Review of VBS2 scenarios and videos by US Army Soldiers (Fort Hood, TX)
- Final revision of VBS2 scenarios and videos to incorporate Soldier feedback

ARI's research project

- Supports unit training through Soldier-centered research
- Leverages deployment experience and expertise of US Army Soldiers
- Brings ready-to-use materials to units for both individual and collective training
- Builds practical tools that incorporate the latest in US Army virtual training
- Is conducted by ARI's Fort Hood Research Unit
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